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SUBJECT: STEVENS, Peter.

TO : Major P. B. Campbell, CIC Hqs., XXII Corps.

1. Peter Sevens, of Roemonder str. 74, Munchen-Gladbach to-day appeared at this office and told of the existance of the German electrical device for rapid de-coding. After considerable questioning, it seems reasonable to assume that his information is correct and that the machine (or working drawings for it) could be of great value to the United States.

2. Stevens has worked for the past two years at the "Deutscher Hollerith" Werke in Berlin, Lichterfelde-Ost, and subsequently after the destruction of that plant, with Zander and Co. in Erfurt as an electrician and mechanic.

3. As Stevens describes the machine, it is a novel, fully automatic de-coding device regarded and treated by the Germans as a military secret of great improtance.

4. This machine has been developed by Hollerith and Siemens, Engineers, who experimented for two years before arriving at the current perfected model. This machine was to go into production in April. The one existing model was to be transplanted to Reichenhall, Upper Bavaria, but has presumably been intercepted and destroyed by the accompanying engineers, Karl Schussler of Chemnitz; Karl Kloes of Berlin and Herbert Mutschke of Berlin.
Stevens claims to know where the original designs are hidden, also where about fifteen (15) teletype and decoding machines have been buried, and could lead us to the spot.

5. In view of the fact that Erfurt will be in the Russian occupation zone, prompt action seems to be indicated.

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